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CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the papers, as described herein, are being deposited in the United States Postal Service, as first class mail, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on March 12, 2008.

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AMENDMENT & RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 12, 2007, setting a three (3) month shortened statutory period for response, the Applicant submits the present amendment and response under 37 C.F.R. §1.111.

Claims 1, 2, 4-8, 10-15, 24-31, 33-38, 40-42, 44, 45, 50, and 51 remain pending in the application. Claims 1 and 24 have been amended herein. Claims 3, 32, 46-48, and 52-54 have been canceled herein. No claims have been added. The Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of all pending claims.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS begin on page 10 of this paper.